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# Binational Teacher Exchange

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## Agenda

- Background and Overview
- Program Objectives & Benefits
- State, District, and Mexico's Responsibilities
- Summer 2017



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## Background and Overview

The Binational Teacher Exchange is designed to provide a cultural and educational benefit to binational migrant students in the U.S. as well as expertise to educators serving binational students.

These experiences result in a better understanding of the cultural, educational, and linguistic diversity of Mexico and the U.S.



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## Program Objectives

- To reinforce **knowledge** of **history**, **culture**, **values** and **traditions** of Mexican origin students who live in the US;
- To strengthen their **identity** and
- To improve their education.



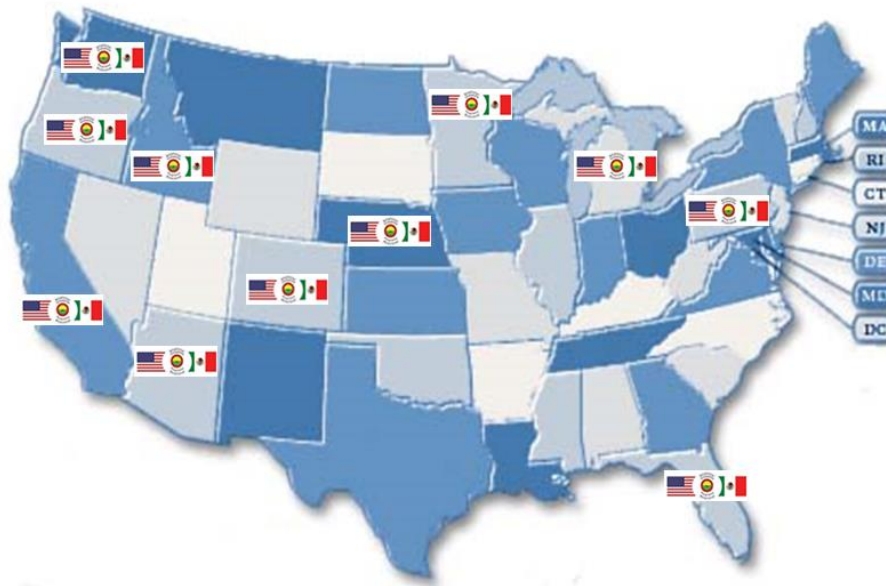
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## States in the US Receiving Teachers from Mexico

- Arizona
- California
- Colorado
- Florida
- Idaho
- Michigan
- Minnesota



- Nebraska
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Washington



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## Benefits vs Responsibilities

### Staff Development for teacher's in Mexico:

- History, goals, and objective of the binational initiative
- Overview of U.S/ educational system, curriculum, standards, assessments
- Operation of typical migrant summer program
- Job description and daily schedule for exchange teachers
- Overview of culture and life in the U.S.
- Specific information regarding travel, stipends, contacts, necessary documents, medical needs, etc.



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## Participating Idaho Districts

For Summer 2016, the following districts hosted a Binational Teacher during their Migrant Summer School:

- Cassia School District
- Minidoka School District
- Twin Falls School District
- Vallivue School District



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## Responsibilities for State, District & Mexico

### **State is responsible for:**

- J-1 Visas & Insurance costs for teachers
- Interviewing and selecting teachers

### **District is responsible for:**

- Finding a host family
- Transporting teacher to/from airport/housing/workplace
- Reimbursing teacher for background check
- Providing a weekly stipend to teacher \$250.00
- Providing supplies and materials

### **Mexico is responsible for:**

- Responsible for the teacher's airfare.



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## Matching Teachers with Districts Needs

- Academic Needs
- Cultural Activities
- Specific Language Needs (Indigenous Languages)



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## Questions

- Time for Questions



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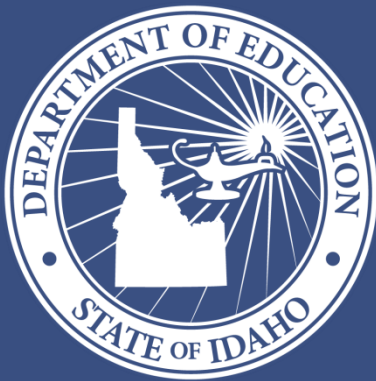
## Timeline of Events (Firm Dates To Be Determined)

October 20 – November 15	Distribution of Notice (Call for Participants)
November 19	Deadline for submitting list by state of the Office of International Relations of the number of teachers confirmed to participate
November 23	Deadline for submitting request to the Office of International Relations for Mexican teachers to participate by U.S. schools. (Convocatoria)
January	Mexico-pre space allocation, pre selection of teacher (convocatoria)
January	U.S-Documentation review and preliminary interviews by U.S. Coordinator
March	National Training Seminar (Mexico) Final Interviews (U.S.)
March	Process J-1 VISA's



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